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MEMORANDUM FOR: Gates Lloyd

SUBJECT :

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Gates:

I have reviewed the [redacted] case and it certainly is one in which I would like to help out in any way that we can. However, I do not feel that we can concur in the Inspector General's memorandum without further investigation. Although I have no reason to question the adequacy of his investigation, I feel that we have a responsibility to look into the action which has been taken up to now, and after consultation with the Director of Personnel, the Chief, Medical Staff, and possibly others, see what we can do.

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Offhand, I would be most reluctant to have the Director place [redacted] in a duty status. This would seem to me to be quite inconsistent with processing BEC and VA claims simultaneously. I don't know what the repercussions might be, but it certainly would appear that this could get us into trouble. Furthermore, since there would appear to be no security or operational considerations peculiar to this Agency involved in making such a decision, I wonder if the Director would not be bound by normal regulations in this case. (The General Counsel would have to rule on this.)

I don't see how we can concur without further investigation which we could, of course, undertake very promptly. However, if the Inspector General needs to have his answer by tomorrow, then as far as I am concerned it will have to be negative.

With regard to the possibility of an Aid Society grant, this would seem to be a most deserving case, and since we are at present conducting a PSAS Drive which certainly will bring in substantial funds, it would seem to me that it would be most appropriate to arrange for a grant or loan to [redacted] pending the outcome of his case.

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